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YUGOSLAV LOCAL-INDUSTRY EXPORTS TO INCREASE; SENDS STEEL TUBING TO CHINA

LACE, WOODEN FURNITURE IN DEMAND -- Belgrade, Borba, 6 May 51

The Five-Year Plan calls for local enterprises and workshops in Yugoslavia to export more than twice as many products in 1951 as in 1950.

The best-known export is lace made by women in the vicinity of Idrija. This lace is in greatest demand in Italy, Sweden, the Netherlands, Belgium, and Austria. It constitutes more than 50 percent of the total value of exports from local production.

Wooden furnishings (the best quality come from Ribnica) and wicker furniture are also much in demand abroad. One of the best local-industry enterprises is the Wooden Furnishings Factory in Potpec, whose products are much in demand in London and in other markets. In 1951 the Potpec Factory will export many types of clothes hangers, special clothes dryers, and other wooden products.

CZECHS REDUCE RAW MATERIALS IMPORTS -- Berlin, Nachrichten fuer Aussenhandel,

By replacing imported with indigenous materials, the Prague Paint and Lacquer Works has reduced its import requirements of raw materials from 80 to 30 percent, a differential of one million Czech crowns.

SHIPS STEEL TUBING TO CHINA -- Berlin, Nachrichten fuer Aussenhandel, 3 Feb 51

The Kosciuszko has sailed from Gdynia with the first load of Czechoslovak steel tubing for China.

Other Czechoslovak products will be shipped to China in the near future.

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REDUCES METAL IMPORTS -- Berlin, Nachrichten fuer Aussenhandel, 3 Feb 51

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According to the Warsaw newspaper Gazeta Handlowa, Czechoslovakia's import requirements of nonferrous metals will be decreased by 100 tons (200,000 US dollars) in 1951.

TO SHIP PROJECTORS TO CHINA -- Berlin, Nachrichten fuer Aussenhandel, 27 Jan 51

The People's Republic of China has placed an order for 400 projectors with the Meopta Works in Czechoslovakia. Deliveries are to begin in the near future.

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